

THE
MEMORY
OF THE
JUST
REVIV'D;

In divers TESTIMONIES con-
cerning the *Labours, Travels, Suffer-*
ings, Life and Death of that Faith-
ful Servant and Minister of Christ,

John Wynn:

WHO

Departed this Life at *Bradford in York-*
shire, in the *Sixty Fourth Year* of his
Age, having been a Faithful *Labourer*
in the Work of the *Ministry* about
Years.

Psal. 112. 6. The Righteous shall be in everlasting
Remembrance.

Dan. 12. 3. They that be wise shall shine as the Bright-
ness of the Firmament, and they that turn many to
Righteousness, as the Stars for ever and ever.

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MEMORY
 OF THE
JUST *reviv'd, &c.*

The TESTIMONY of William
 Ellis, concerning that Faithful
 Servant and Minister of Christ,
John Wynn. *&c.*

THERE hath been a *Testimony* upon
 my Mind for some time concerning
John Wynn, late of *Bradford*, in the
 County of *Tork*; who, I believe, died in the Fa-
 vour of God, and in Unity with faithful Bre-
 thren. I may truly say, the Lord's Good-
 ness hath been great to Mankind in these lat-
 ter Days, in which he reached to my Heart
 and Soul, about the Seventeenth Year of my
 Age, and in those Days, the *Friend* abovesaid,
 was made an Instrument in the Hand of the
 Lord.

Lord, for my Help and Confirmation in that Faith, which the Lord had bestowed upon me: And as I grew in Years, he having a Sense that Grace did work in me, to the purging out of the Old Corruption which had gotten fast Root in me, he grew tender to me, and laboured to help forward that good Work which the Almighty had begun; and when it pleased God to work upon me, so as to open my Heart to bear *Testimony* to his holy Arm, that was, and is revealed, and made bare for the Recovery of Man out of the Fall, he took abundance of Care over me, and exhorted me often to attend truly upon the Lord, who had bestowed his good Gift upon me, that so I might grow in the Root of Life; and would be now and then telling me, where he saw many that had received good Gifts, and had gone out and lost themselves; and often gave me Advice to beware of wrong Spirits, intimating their divers ways of Appearing to deceive the Simple; and on this Manner his Care was over me for many Years, and he often sounded the Gospel Trumpet in the Meeting, where my Lot was cast: And I must needs say, tho' his Ministry was sharp, yet searching and powerful, with this Effect upon me in my Early Convincement, even to the awakening of my Soul to Judgment, and that I might meet the Lord in the Way thereof; and it was so, that my Heart was willing to receive his Reproof, Admonition and good Counsel, from time to time; and a little before his Departure out of this

this Life, he came to Visit *Friends* here-away: And, oh! What Strength, and Power, and Zeal were upon him, in which he advised *Friends* to continue stedfast in Faith and Love to God, and one to another? And that *Friends* might keep up their *Testimony*, against all that would break in upon the Liberty God had given them; and that a true Labour might be continued, to keep *good Order* in the Church, or Words to this Effect.

And when I heard he was taken away, my Soul was troubled within me, knowing the great Advantage I had gained in his Company: Yet after a time of quiet Retirement, my Heart was over-powered with that antient Virtue, which springs from the Fountain of Everlasting Life; and in this I did then firmly believe, that his Soul was gone to Rest in the Lord, to sing the Songs of Thanksgiving to him, and to the Lamb for ever and ever.

Oh! the unutterable Joy and harmonious Sound of Songs of high Praises, that have filled my Heart, when I remembered him, with many others, whom I am satisfied did delight to serve the Lord in their Day, and followed him truly, like the Worthies of Old; and the Sense of their Reward and Crown of Life which are laid up for the Faithful, makes my Soul the more earnestly to Travel forward, and be the more watchful over my Ways, and to labour fervently to be the more given up in Soul, Body

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and Outward Substance, so that at the End, thro' him, that hath loved me, and washed me from my Sins, in his own most dear and precious Blood, my Soul may receive the Sentence of *Well-done*, and come to know an Entrance into the Everlasting Resting Place with the Lord, and with the Spirits of Just Men made perfect in Christ Jesus.

The Sense of these Things hath been at times upon my Mind near two Years, and I could not see that I should discharge my self, till I had Written the afore-mentioned Lines.

Written at Airton,
the 31st of 11th
Month, 1701.

William Ellis.

*The TESTIMONY of Sarah
Elam, concerning that Faithful
Servant and Minister of Christ
John Wynn.*

A Concern is upon my Mind, to write something in *Testimony* concerning my late deceased Friend, *John Wynn*, who had a Fatherly Care over me from my Youth and I can truly say, I loved and honoured him in the Lord for it, and do find a Loss of him; for tho' we have many *Instructors*, yet not many *Fathers*: And this is my *Testimony* I have to give, that he was one of the many faithful Servants of the Lord that are gone to their Rests, whose Memories live when their Bodies are gone to the Grave; *for the Righteous shall be in everlasting Remembrance, and they that Turn many to Righteousness shall shine as the Stars in the Firmament of God's Power for ever and ever.* And I can say, he was *Friend*, and as a *Father* unto me, in giving good Advice and Counselling of me unto that which was Good, and I could disclose my Mind unto him, in my Concern and Exercise I was in. He was a Man could sympathize with the Exercised, whether in Body or in Mind, for he was a diligent Visiter of the Sick; he had a dear Respect and true Love to his Brethren, that were true-hearted to God; but

the Backsliders and Rotten-hearted Professors, his *Testimony* was sure to go forth against: He did not spare to give them their due, neither for Fear, nor for Favour, whether High or Low, Rich or Poor: He laboured faithfully in his Day, in that Gift and Talent he had received of the Lord; he had a great Care over the young Ones and Children of honest Parents, of which I was one, for whom, I believe, he Travelled in Spirit, that with all such might in Faithfulness keep up our faithful Parents *Testimony* for Truth, and also for others, that came to be convinced of the *Truth*, he had a tender Care for their Preservation, and could speak a Word in Season to them, as he hath often done to me, whom the Lord hath been pleased to exercise in my small Measure in Publick *Testimony*; and when I had some concern upon my Mind to Visit some *Meetings* abroad, and being weak my self and full of Fears lest I should be too forward, or too backward in answering the Requirings of the Lord, then I could open my Mind unto him: And, oh! as a tender *Father* he hath dropped Counsel unto me, and told me his Experience in much Tenderness to the strengthening of me, and withal would caution me to have a care of being too forward, or of over-running the Motion of Life; which Counsel I have found to be very good, and hath not been forgotten by me, nor I hope ever will be, so that I can say, he was an Instrument in the Hand of the Lord for my Good: And it was a surprise

prize to me when I heard he was dead, being I did not see him in his Sickness, nor heard little of it; but oh! I could not contain self from lamenting for the Loss of him, and being so many of our faithful Friends hereabouts as well as elsewhere have been removed already, my Heart was filled with Sorrow again and again; and as I was thus exercised I felt a secret Joy to spring in my Heart, and I said in my self, Why do I weep, my Loss is his and their Everlasting Gain? *For blessed are the Dead that dye in the Lord, for they rest from their Labours, and their Works follow them.* And I had it sealed upon my Spirit that this my Friend is entred into those Mansions of Bliss, where the Wicked cease to trouble any more, and the Weary are at Rest, and all Sorrow and Tears are wiped away, where the Redeemed of the Lord do sing Praises to him who is worthy for ever, and for ever more Amen.

Hallifax, the 6th of
the 11th Month
1700.

Sarah Elam

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TESTIMONY of Deborah Wynn, concerning her late Husband, John Wynn.

I Have had it upon my Mind to write a short *Testimony* concerning my dear and affectionate Husband *John Wynn*, whom the Lord in his great Love was pleased to bestow upon me; and now it having been the good Pleasure of God, who giveth and taketh away, to take him to himself, and to make a Separation as bodily; I desire to be content in the Will of the Lord, who, I can truly and sincerely say, is worthy to do what seemeth good in his Sight, tho' the Loss of such a Husband is very great: For he was a loving and affectionate Husband indeed, and as a Father; whose tender Care was over me both for Soul and Body, and had a Word of Counsel and tender Advice suitable to every Exercise I met withal, and was a Man of a valiant Spirit, and fervent in Zeal for the Lord, and stood in the Power of God (which he was diligent in waiting for) for the *Testimony* of a good Conscience, and suffered cheerfully the spoiling of his Goods for *Truth's* sake in the time of the Informers, having Faith in Christ, and an Eye to the Recompence of Reward: For altho' they carried away most
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of our outward Substance, that the Lord had blessed us with, three times successively; yet I may say, that I never heard him murmur in the least, being freely resigned in Heart to suffer patiently for the *Testimony* of Jesus, our Blessed Redeemer. Also he had a great Care for the People of God, that they might be preserved faithful and clean hearted, for he was a Man that would deal plainly with all, and did not seek to please Men for their Greatness in the World, but his Care was to please God, and discharge his Conscience faithfully towards him, for which he was concerned both in Mind and in Body to Travel up and down in most Parts of this Nation, and into *Wales* several times to Visit the Meetings of God's People: And the Lord was pleased to accompany him with his Divine Power and good Presence, to the Comfort and Help of his People, for the Lord gave him Wisdom and a good Understanding to *divide the Word aright*; his Ministry was powerful, informing and edifying, and many were strengthened and helped by it, and comforted under it at Home, as well as in many other Places where the Lord sent him to Visit his Churches, and his Memory lives amongst the faithful that knew him: And at all times when he had performed his Service, and found himself clear of that Concern the Lord had laid upon him, he returned Home again with an Answer of Peace in his Bosom, and now he hath performed and finished that Work the Lord had for him to do here on Earth.

Earth: For having been down in the West of *Yorkshire* to Visit Friends, and signified after his Return his great Satisfaction and Easiness of Mind, as if he had a Sense that his Day's Work was nigh finished, having told Friends in some Places he was come to take his leave of them (although then in a good Measure of Health.) About three Weeks after his Return home of that Journey, going a few Miles to Visit a Neighbouring Friend, who was Sick, (a Service that he was frequent in) came Home not well, and continued weakly about 13 Days, and in the time of his Weakness, the great Concern that was upon his Mind, was, that *Friends* might stand faithful unto the Lord God, exhorting such thereto as came to Visit him: And that Day, a little before his Departure, as he was walking about the Room, a fainting fit seized him, and he sat down and leaned back in his Chair, and seeing me weeping over him, he looked upon me, and said, *Why wilt thou, my Dear? The Lord gave me unto thee, and thou must give me up again, and I answered, and said, I hope I shall as far as the Lord enables me; for I hope it will be well with thee: And he said, I never doubt that; which were the last Words he spake, for the Lord was pleased to make his Passage easie out of his World, so that he gave neither Sigh nor groan, but in a quiet Stillness, like one falling asleep, he departed this Life, the 16th Day of the Ninth Month, 1699, in the Sixty fourth Year of his Age, having been a true Labour-*

er in the Work of the Ministry about 36 Years. And now having, through the Grace of God, fought the good Fight of Faith, and well finished his Course, I am fully satisfied his Soul is at Rest with the Lord, being entered into the Possession of that Crown of Eternal Life, that is laid up in Store for all the Righteous, where he shall live to praise and magnifie the Lord God, and the Lamb that sits upon the Throne for ever, and for evermore, World without end. *Amen.*

His Body was buried in *Friends* Burying-Ground at *Bradford*, the 20th of the aforefaid Month, being accompanied to the Grave by many *Friends* and sober Neighbours, where divers living *Testimonies* were born to the Comfort of the upright in Heart: And the Travel of my Soul is, that I, with all the Lord's People may be preserved in a faithful Perseverance in the way of Truth and Holiness, that so we may come to die the Death of the Righteous, and our latter End may be like unto his.

Bradford, the 10th
Month, 1699.

Deborah Wynn.

The TESTIMONY of Deborah Bell, concerning her Dear Father John Wynn, with a few Words of Exhortation, chiefly, to those who are Young in Years.

I Have had it upon my Mind for a considerable time, to write something by way of *Testimony* concerning my *Dear Father*, and to give some Account of his Care over me, that I might grow up in the Fear of the Lord, and come to the Knowledge of Jesus Christ, and witness him to be my Saviour: And altho' it is a long time since his Departure from us, yet his Memory lives, and is often renewed in my Mind, and the Sense of that great Loss I sustained in particular, and the Church more generally, doth deeply affect my Heart, and cause my Soul earnestly to desire of the Lord, who makes up the Loss of all to them that are truly his; and who called him in his young Years out of the youthful Vanities of the World, and qualified him by the Workings of his own Spirit, and sanctified his Heart and Soul for his Use and Service, may be graciously pleased to lay his Hand upon many in our Day that are young in Years, and bring them under the Operation of his Divine Power in their own Hearts, and thereby fit them, that so many may come
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up in the Footsteps and Services of the faithful Antients, who are removed, and those who may be nigh to be taken from amongst us, that he always may have a People valiant for his Truth on Earth.

And this my Dear Father was one valiant for the Truth, and often, under a deep Travel in a holy Concern for the Promotion of it, and that great Care that remained upon him for the Preservation of the Flock and Family of Christ, had a good Effect upon my Mind, when but very young, and often tended to the reaching of my Heart, and stirring up of the pure Mind in me, to consider what it was that did engage him to labour under this Concern. And his Care was great over me every way, and in a more especial Manner watching over me, and restraining of me from Evil, and often informing of me in things relating to Life and Salvation, taking the Advice of the wise Man, training me up while I was *Young in the way that I should walk*: And as his Service for the Lord and his blessed Truth was well known in the Place where he dwelt, as also in divers other Places, where I know he has a *Testimony* in the Hearts of the Faithful; for I have often been told of his Labour and Service, and the good Effect thereof in divers Places, amongst the Churches of Christ, where my Lot has been to Visit them, which has been a great Comfort to my Soul, and tended to the making up of that Loss, in some

Measure, I had by his Removal: for being of the number of the Just, his Memory lives. And what I have to add concerning him, is chiefly the tender Care he had over me in particular: For I may truly say, altho' he was a very tender and an affectionate Father, his Love to me was very great, I being his only Child left of Seven, yet he was also always careful that the affectionate Part in him might not prevail, so as to suffer him to indulge me in any thing that might be hurtful to my Soul, or a Reproach to that *Testimony* the Lord had called him to bear; Yea, his Concern and Labour was very great for me, to bring me into Solidity and Gravity, that so I might be the easier to work upon, when it might please the Lord immediately to work in my Heart, and to reveal his Son in me. Oh! the many tender and fatherly Exhortations that he from time to time did impart unto me, that was of inexpressible Benefit, tending much to the stirring of me up to seek the Lord early. I have them still in my Remembrance, and desire I ever may; and my Heart has often been thankful to the Lord, and is filled therewith to this time, that it was my Lot to be under the Care of such a tender Father, who obtained the Favour of God, through his Son Jesus Christ, in so much, as that his Supplications and Prayers upon my Account were heard, and in Measure answered, for I am sensible it was a great Mercy and a Blessing to me, for he was made instrumental in the Lord's Hand, to bring me
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to be acquainted with those things that belonged to my Peace, even when but a Child, the Appearance of which was Matter of Comfort to him; *for blessed be the Name of the Lord*, he lived to see that Work begun in my Heart, that gave him Grounds to hope, that he, who had begun the same so early upon my Mind, would prevail upon my Soul by his Love, and carry it on: and I may say, yet not boasting-ly, but in Humility, *Blessed be the Name of the Lord*, who has been pleased to carry it on to this Day, and has prevailed by his mighty Power to the drawing me, not only out of many things, which the carnal Mind delights in, but also has wrought Willingness in my Soul to wait for his Power, to enable me to perform that which was a great Cross to my own Will, yet has brought Peace to my Soul, which often was in distress for want of the Enjoyment of that Love and Life that quickens the Soul, and makes alive to praise and serve the Lord, and these Exercises being met with, and gone through after it had pleased the Lord to remove such a tender and helpful Father from us, and taken him to himself; the deep Sense of the want of him to make known the Exercises of my Mind unto, did often deeply affect my Heart and tender it, yet the Lord has ever been sufficient for me. Oh! may those that are Parents of Children, follow this good Man's Example, in being fervently and chiefly concerned that their Children may be the Lord's Children, *begotten*

gain into a lively Hope, through Christ Jesus our Helper and Redeemer: And may the Children of such Parents obey them, and account it a great Mercy from God, that the Care of such is over them for their eternal Good, and wait upon the Lord that he may endow them by his Grace to follow them even as they followed Christ in a holy Life, and in the Path of Humility and Self-denial, waiting and depending upon that Arm of Divine Power that brings Salvation, and has been the Help of the Faithful in all Ages in every time of Trial, and has safely conducted all that have trusted in it unto the desired End, and given an Assurance of eternal Life to the Soul, even whilst here, of whom this faithful Servant and Minister of Christ Jesus was one; for he declared a little before his Departure, that he was clear and easy in his Spirit, and saw nothing to stand in his way, but witnessed the Peace of God to abide upon him, saying, he had laboured faithfully to clear himself of those that were of a libertine and frothy Spirit, as he then called it; and tho' when he was concerned from the Lord to Labour with, and for the helping of them, they often evilly requited his Labours of Love, by shooting their venomous Arrows at him; but the Arrows of the Almighty with which his Quiver was often filled, often went forth against them, being guided by that Hand which carried them to the Mark, to the wounding the Enemies of Truth, and those that held the Truth in Unrighteousness,

ness, and to the Comfort of the sincere Heart. These Excellent *Testimonies* he had to bear, and the full Assurance that he had of the Recompence of Reward being laid up in Store for him; and the Sweetness of that Peace, that he was filled with the Enjoyment of, and had to declare for the Encouragement of all to be faithful to God, when his Glass was nigh run, and a Period ready to be put to his time here; had that Effect upon my Mind, that my Soul was ready to enter into Covenant with the Lord, by his Help, to serve him for ever, and this greatly sweetned the present Exercise I then was bowed under. May the Sence thereof lay hold upon the Minds of all Parents, and stir them up in a godly Concern, that they may have the same *Testimony* to bear, and be filled with the Enjoyment of the same Peace, and witness the Springings up of it, that they may have to declare thereof, to those they are about to be removed from, that they being affected therewith, may not only know the present Exercise to be sweetned thereby, but it may lay hold of them, and remain so with them, as a Nail fastned in a sure Place, to stir them up to be faithful to the Lord all their Life long, that they may enjoy the Peace and Love of God here, and at last come to dye the Death of the Righteous, and their latter End may be like his; as this my dear and tender Father did: And having fought the good Fight and kept the Faith, at last came to finish his Course

with Joy and Witnessed a laying down his Head in Peace with the Lord, in a full Assurance of receiving that Crown of eternal Life, which is laid up in Store for all those who love his Appearing.

And now I have something further upon my Mind, chiefly to those that are young in Years, into whose Hands this may come, and more particularly unto you, who are the Offspring of faithful Parents; for great is the Love and Kindness of God unto all such, his Favour and Mercy is largely extended towards you, and he is waiting to be gracious unto you, and to do your Souls good, if you will but incline your Ears to his Voice, and your Hearts to his Way, and follow him in his Leadings, and obey his Teachings in you by his own Spirit. I have to say, by way of Encouragement, great and good Things has the Lord in Store for you, if you will but love him and keep his Commandments; for his Love, which is freely extended and offered to the Souls of all, is largely flowing forth to you, and is willing to lay hold of you all by his eternal Power, in order to fit, qualify and spirit you for his own Work and Service, that so such as are willing to deny themselves and follow the Lord, may succeed their faithful Parents in their divers Services for the Truth, and know a Portion of their Spirits, or that Spirit they were governed by, to rest upon them: And such as come thus up in Obedience
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to the Call of God, shall witness his Covenant made with their Fathers to be established with them, for the Lord will shew Kindness and Mercy to Thousands of such Generations: Therefore let me in great Love tenderly intreat you, and prevail with you, who are Young and of a good Stock, that you will *remember your Creator in the Days of your Youth*, and seek to be acquainted with the Lord, whilst he is striving with you in great Love, to manifest himself unto you for your Help and Restoration: Therefore do not suffer the Enemy of your Souls to deceive you with a vain Hope of long Life in this World, and the Enjoyment of abundance of those Things that quickly come to an end, and cannot give Peace to the Soul, nor yet rest satisfied that you are the Children of such as have been acquainted with the Lord, and made Choice of him for your Portion, and the Lot of your Inheritance: For I can say, by living Experience, that to be the Child of faithful Parents (although it is an unexpressible Privilege to all those that rightly prize it) will not save you, *for the Soul that sins must die*, unless they repent, and come into the Fear of God, and succeed them in the Ways of Vertue and Righteousness. This the Lord was graciously pleased to make my Soul sensible of in the Days of my tender Years, when his blessed Visitation from on High laid hold on me, when the Enemy was seeking to perswade me, (as I am afraid he is seeking to perswade too many in this

this Day) that the Faithfulness and Integrity of my Parents, would stand me in great stead when I came to dye, and I am perswaded, if it would have done for any, it might have done for me; but I saw clearly, in that Day, by that Eye the Almighty had opened, that unless I came to be acquainted with the same Power that had wrought a Change and Alteration upon my dear Parents, and had preserved them, and enabled them to walk in Vertues Way, and to suffer for the *Testimony* of Jesus, to have the same Operation in my Heart, that I might know my Mind redeemed out of all youthful Vanities, and to be set upon things that are above, seeking after the Kingdom of God and his Righteousness, I should be miserable and undone for ever. And then this Sense being upon my Mind, there was a Cry raised in my Heart. *Oh! that I might be more and more acquainted with my Fathers God, with the same Jesus Christ, that is the Redeemer of the Righteous, out of the State of the Fall* (with whose Visitation of Love I was in some Degree acquainted in those Days) *and that my Fathers God might be my God, and that I might for ever serve him*, was my Cry in secret many Days and Months to the Lord. And to the Praise of his blessed and holy Name be it spoken, I cried not in vain, but came to witness that Saying, to be fulfilled. *He never said to the Seed of Jacob, Seek my Face in vain*, for the Lord drew near, and manifested his Power to me, so that I could say of a Truth,

Truth, this is him I have cried unto and waited for, and I look not for another, for the Enjoyment of his sweet Presence and Manifestations of his Love were precious and delightful unto my travelling exercised Soul in those Days, and remain so to this very time, for his Love never waxes old, but to the sincere in Heart, is as sweet and pleasant in the Aboundings thereof as ever; blessed and magnified be his Power above all, can my engaged Soul in deep Humility and Reverence say; for he will reveal himself to all those that are sincerely seeking after him early, and cannot be satisfied with any thing else but him alone, by the renewed Enjoyments of his glorious Power and Presence manifested to us through his dear Son. To these he will be very lovely and beautiful and glorious in his Appearance and Manifestations, even to the over-coming of their Souls, and by his blessed Appearance will stain all the Glory of this fading exercising World, insomuch that the Souls of such shall not see nor take Pleasure therein, in comparison of serving the Living God, ready to cry out and say, *Thou art the Object of our Delight, thou art the chiefest amongst Ten Thousand to our Souls, there is none like unto thee, nor to be had in Competition with thee; thou hast overcome our Souls with thy Love, we cannot live without the Enjoyment thereof:* Such as have witnessed their Hearts and Minds to be redeemed out of the Earth, and carnal things by the Power of Jesus Christ, and have known
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their Affections set on heavenly Treasure, and are concerned daily to seek after that; they put no value upon the vain Ways and Customs of the World that lie in Wickedness, and the Fashion of it passes away, but to them the Cross of Christ, that Crucifies them to the World, and the World unto them, is become their greatest Rejoycing, and by bearing the same, such knew, a dying daily to those things which are Enemies, and would withstand the great Power of the holy Cross, in its Workings in their Hearts, yet they through Faithfulness increase in that Life which is everlasting. What I say, I am through Mercy a Witness of, and am waiting daily to experience more and more of the inward Work of God by his Power to prosper in my Heart, and the earnest Travel of my Spirit is, that all you, who have been made Partakers of the precious Privileges and peculiar Favours and Visitations administered to you, immediately and instrumentally many ways by the Lord in this the Day of his great Love, may be stirred up in your Minds, and awakened out of that State of Ease and false Liberty that some are got into, to the great Reproach of that holy Profession they make, and Exercise of the Righteous, who, through undue Liberty, are found trampling upon that *Testimony* many of our ancient Fathers had given them to bear and suffered deeply for: *So awake to Righteousness yet more and more, and sin not*, and wait for that Power to come up into Dominion in your Souls which preserves

preserves out of Sin, and enables to overcome
 the Temptations of the Enemy, for by dili-
 gently waiting and attending upon the Lord,
 (which you have been often advised to) the
 Arisings of this Power is known, that sustin-
 ed, upheld and preserved many of our Parents
 and ancient Friends, who were the Lord's
 Worthies, from falling in Times of great Ex-
 ercise and many close Trials, will give you
 Victory over the World, and over your own
 Lusts, and those evil Inclinations in you that
 seek to be gratified and satiated in the Enjoy-
 ment of those things which are Enemies to the
 Work of God in your own Hearts: Therefore,
 dear Friends, let me warn you to take heed to
 your Ways, look to your Foundation, and
 mind your Standing, and beware of resting
 only in a Form of Godliness, without waiting
 for the Power thereof in your own Particu-
 lars, to cleanse your Hearts from all Filthi-
 ness: for such, whilst in that State, have ever
 been displeasing unto God, and he will visit
 all such whether they be young or Old. And I
 have to tell you, That the God of Heaven and
 Earth, that *so loved the World, that he sent his*
only begotten Son into the World, that all Men
through him might be saved, will have a Con-
 troversie with these ungrateful Souls, who are
 the careless and lukewarm Professors of his
 blessed Truth, which is made manifest in our
 Day, and such as hold the Truth in Unrigh-
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 the things appertaining to Life and Salvation;
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for all the spacious Coverings of Mens own Wisdom or Righteousness shall be too narrow for them in that dreadful Day that's coming upon, and will overtake the Hypocrites and Double-minded: Therefore wait diligently to be prepared by that mighty Power of Christ Jesus our blessed Mediator that can alone prepare you to meet the Lord, and find Acceptance with him, for he will meet with you, and call you to an Account, how you have prized those many Privileges, Visitations and Mercies he has vouchsafed unto you many Ways. And blessed and happy will all those be who know from a living Evidence in themselves, that they have kept the Word of his Patience, such he will keep in the Hour of Temptation, which shall come upon all the World to try them that dwell upon the Earth, and such shall dwell as in the Munition of Rocks, where their Bread shall be sure, and their Water shall not fail them, and they shall grow as Calves in the Stall, and as Willows by the Water Courses, and they shall tread down the Wicked, who shall be as Ashes under the Soles of their Feet. This is the Portion of the Righteous, that through many Tribulations are found faithfully following the Lamb, and have witnessed an Overcoming by the Lamb, and are standing upon their Watch continually, and making War in Righteousness against every Appearance of Evil: So that the Righteous may hold on their Way, and hold fast that which they have received, that none may
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ever take their Crown from them, and that the Careless and Lukewarm may be stirred up into a diligent Attending upon the Lord, and continue in a sincere Concern for their Souls Welfare and everlasting Profit, and that the Wicked and Ungodly, and such as have been taking undue Liberty, may come unto true Repentance and cease to do Evil, and learn to do Well, that they may be fit to Reason with the Lord, and know their Sins, which have been as Scarlet, to be white as Snow, and such as have been red like Crimson, to be as Wool, before it be too late, and the Day come wherein the Fury of the Almighty break forth like Fire, that none can quench it, is the sincere Cry of my Soul to the Lord. So the Lord, who chose *Jerusalem* above all the Families of the Earth, to place his Name in, be with all you his sincere hearted breathing Babes every where, and multiply his Blessings upon you more often than the Morning, is the Prayer of her, who Travels for *Zion's* Prosperity and *Jerusalem's* Welfare, according to my small Measure,

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